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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Gady

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Examiner: Depumpo, Daniel G.

For: AUTOMATIC AXLE TRACTION CONTROL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the official action of December 6, 2004, applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following remarks.

Claims 15-35 remain pending in the application including independent claims 15 and 26. Claims 1-14 have been cancelled.

Claims 34 and 35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The examiner argues that the new claims include language that the second output shaft is only coupled to the power source during wheel slippage, and that this language is not supported by the original specification. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

As set forth at paragraph [19] of the subject application, if the input shaft and the rear axle output shaft are within the predetermined speed range and there is wheel slip, the ECU 32